

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- At time of the Action: 1-54, 56-62, 64-75, and 77-80
- Amended Claims: Claims 1, 7, 18, 19, 24-27, 32-51, 53-54, 56-57, 60-62, 64-70, 72-73, and 77-80
 - Canceled Claims: Claims 6 and 52
 - Previously Canceled Claims: Claims 55, 63, and 76
 - After this Response: Claims 1-5, 7-51, 53-54, 56-62, 64-75, and 77-80

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video data from a disc;

presenting the audio/video data to a user;

obtaining a set of executable software instructions from the disc;

receiving an input from the user; and

executing, in response to the input, one or more instructions of the set of executable software instructions to determine how to enhance presentation of the audio/video data currently being played back to the user, wherein executing the one or more instructions of the set of executable software instructions comprises:

identifying a temporal location of the audio/video data currently being played back;

identifying programmatic data corresponding to the identified temporal location; and

enhancing a presentation of the audio/video data by using the identified programmatic data associated with the disc as determined by executing the one or more instructions of the set of executable software instructions, wherein the programmatic data comprises:

3D representational data;

360 degree pictorial information;

2D information comprising data for rendering a viewpoint absent from the audio/video data;

markup data identifying a plot of the audio/video data;

the set of executable software instructions;

data identifying an enhanced functionality corresponding to different input and output devices;

enhanced video/audio data;

informational data comprising biographies and filmographies;

data identifying which content is to be displayed for different rating levels; and

different display format data comprising:

a National Television Standards Committee (NTSC) format or a Phase Alternating Line (PAL) format;

a widescreen format, a letter box format, or a pan and scan format; and

a standard definition format or a High Definition Television HDTV format.

2. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
obtaining the programmatic data from the disc.

3. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
obtaining the programmatic data from a local storage device.

4. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
obtaining the programmatic data from a remote storage device.

5. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the user input comprises a user input requesting an action be taken regarding playback of the audio/video data.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a playback device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the playback device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining, from a source, audio/video data for a presentation to a user;

obtaining, from the source, a set of executable instructions associated with the audio/video data, wherein the set of executable instructions are loaded by the playback device when the source is initially accessible to the playback device;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video data, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video data identify associated programmatic data;

executing the set of executable instructions by the processing unit in conjunction with presenting the audio/video data to the user; and

enhancing the presentation of the audio/video data to the user based on the programmatic data processed by [[a]] the playback device executing the set of executable instructions in conjunction with playing back the audio/video data, wherein the set of executable instructions are loaded by the playback device when the source is initially accessible to the playback device.

8. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein obtaining the programmatic data comprises obtaining the programmatic data from the source.

9. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the source comprises a DVD.

10. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises improving the quality of the video data of the audio/video data.

11. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises creating an HDTV (High Definition TV) version of the video data of the audio/video data.

12. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises converting the video data of the audio/video data to a different aspect ratio.

13. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises incorporating popup information into the video data of the audio/video data.

14. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises displaying popup information when playback of the audio/video data is paused.

15. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises allowing the user to scan through important scenes of the audio/video data, wherein the important scenes are identified in the programmatic data.

16. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises presenting, to the user, a summary of important scenes of the audio/video data up to a particular point in the audio/video data.

17. (Original) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises allowing the user to access additional episodic content associated with the audio/video data.

18. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the enhancing comprises:

improving the quality of [[the]] video data of the audio/video data;
creating an HDTV (High Definition TV) version of the video data of the audio/video data;
converting the video data of the audio/video data to a different aspect ratio;
incorporating popup information into the video data of the audio/video data;
displaying popup information when playback of the audio/video data is paused;
allowing the user to scan through important scenes of the audio/video data, wherein the important scenes are identified in the programmatic data;
presenting, to the user, a summary of important scenes of the audio/video data up to a particular point in the audio/video data; and
allowing the user to access additional episodic content associated with the audio/video data.

19. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

receiving audio/video content for playback;

receiving programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video data identify associated programmatic data and the programmatic data comprises information describing a difference between an enhancement to the audio/video content [[and]] to generate an enhanced audio/video content by adding the programmatic data to the audio/video content; [[and]]

receiving a set of instructions to enhance playback of the audio/video content;

executing [[a]] the set of executable instructions by the processing unit, wherein executing the set of that instructions causes the device to process the programmatic data; and to enhance the playback of the audio/video content, wherein the enhancement is based at least in part on adding the programmatic data to the audio/video content to generate the enhanced audio/video content

generating the enhanced audio/video content.

20. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the audio/video content and the set of instructions are both received from a same source.

21. (Original) A method as recited in claim 20, wherein the same source comprises a DVD.

22. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the receiving programmatic data comprises receiving the programmatic data from a local storage device.

23. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the receiving programmatic data comprises receiving the programmatic data from a remote device.

24. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises improving [[the]] a quality of [[the]] video data of the audio/video content.

25. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises creating an HDTV (High Definition TV) version of [[the]] video data of the audio/video content.

26. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises converting [[the]] video data of the audio/video content to a different aspect ratio.

27. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises overlaying popup information on [[the]] video data of the audio/video content.

28. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises displaying popup information when playback of the audio/video content is paused.

29. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises allowing the user to scan through important scenes of the audio/video content, wherein the important scenes are identified in the programmatic data.

30. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises presenting, to the user, a summary of important scenes of the audio/video content up to a particular point in the audio/video content.

31. (Original) A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the enhancement comprises allowing the user to access additional episodic content associated with the audio/video content.

32. (Currently Amended) One or more computer readable storage media having stored thereon a plurality of instructions that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to:

access audio/video content obtained from a digital versatile disc (DVD);

identify a current portion of the audio/video content being played back;

identify programmatic data that corresponds to ~~both the audio/video content and the current portion of the audio/video content being played back, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data~~; and

enhance a presentation of the current portion of the audio/video content based at least in part on the identified programmatic data, wherein executing the plurality of instructions causes the one or more processors to process the programmatic data to enhance a presentation of the current portion of the audio/video content.

33. (Currently Amended) One or more computer readable storage media as recited in claim 32, wherein the programmatic data is also obtained from the DVD.

34. (Currently Amended) One or more computer readable storage media as recited in claim 32, wherein the one or more computer readable storage media comprises the DVD.

35. (Currently Amended) One or more computer readable storage media as recited in claim 32, wherein the programmatic data includes a plurality of different portions and the audio/video content includes a plurality of different portions, and wherein different portions of the programmatic data correspond to different portions of the audio/video content.

36. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media having stored thereon a data structure, comprising:

a first portion containing audio data and video data that, when played back, generates an audio/video content stream;

a second portion containing associated programmatic data, wherein temporal location identifiers from the audio data and video data identify the associated programmatic data; and

a third portion containing a plurality of instructions for processing the associated programmatic data, wherein when executed the plurality of instructions causes is to determine, the plurality of instructions, when executed, cause processing of the programmatic data, and the programmatic data to process is determined based on which a current location of the audio/video content stream and video data are being played back presented, which of the programmatic data to process.

37. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to improve [[the]] a quality of the video data.

38. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to create an HDTV (High Definition TV) version of the video data.

39. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to convert the video data to a different aspect ratio.

40. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to incorporate popup information into the video data.

41. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to display popup information when playback of the audio data and video data is paused.

42. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to allow the user to scan through important scenes of the audio data and video data, wherein the important scenes are identified in the associated programmatic data.

43. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to present, to the user, a summary of important scenes of the audio data and video data up to a particular point in the audio data and video data.

44. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage media as recited in claim 36, wherein the associated programmatic data is processed to allow the user to access additional episodic content associated with the audio/~~video~~ data and video data.

45. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a processing unit of a playback device configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the playback device to perform acts the method comprising:

obtaining audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content; and

responsive to an input from the user, executing a set of executable instructions by the processing unit of the playback device in conjunction with playing back the audio/video data, wherein the executable instructions are loaded by the playback device when the audio/video content is initially accessible to the playback device, wherein the set of executable instructions use the programmatic data to improve a quality of the video of the audio/video content and the programmatic data comprises:

3D representational data;

360 degree pictorial information;

2D information comprising data for rendering a viewpoint absent from the audio/video data;

markup data identifying a plot of the audio/video data;

the set of executable software instructions;

data identifying an enhanced functionality corresponding to different input and output devices coupled to the playback device;

enhanced video/audio data;

informational data comprising biographies and filmographies;

data identifying which content is to be displayed for different rating levels; and
different display format data comprising:

a National Television Standards Committee (NTSC) format or a Phase Alternating Line (PAL) format;

a widescreen format, a letter box format, or a pan and scan format; and

a standard definition format or a High Definition Television HDTV format.

46. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 45, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

47. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data; and

executing, by the processing unit, a set of executable instructions that [[use]] causes processing of the programmatic data to create an HDTV (High Definition TV) version of a video of the audio/video content by adding additional detail based on the programmatic data, wherein the programmatic data comprises:

additional information describing regions of the HDTV version absent from the audio/video content due to an aspect ratio difference between the video of the audio/video content and the HDTV version; and

data describing a difference between a picture quality of the video of the audio/video content and an increased picture quality for the HDTV version ~~audio/video content~~.

48. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 47, wherein the set of executable instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] ~~a~~ same DVD.

49. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video content having a first aspect ratio to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data; and

executing, by the processing unit, a set of executable instructions that use the programmatic data to convert the video of the audio/video content from the first aspect ratio to a second aspect ratio having at least one dimension smaller than the first aspect ratio by removing at least one of rows of pixels or columns of pixels from the audio/video content, wherein the programmatic data identifies which rows of pixels or columns of pixels to remove for each image of a video track of the audio/video content.

50. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 49, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

51. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data; and

executing, by the processing unit, a set of instructions that use the programmatic data to incorporate popup information into [[the]] video content of the audio/video content, wherein the popup information includes overlays the audio/video content and comprises descriptions of

items displayed as part of the audio/video content that overlay the video content and a link that, when selected by the user, allows the user to purchase an item being displayed as part of the audio/video content.

52. (Cancelled)

53. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 51, wherein the popup information includes images overlaying the video content.

54. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 51, wherein the popup information includes text overlaying the video content.

55. (Previously Canceled)

56. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 51, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

57. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a processing unit of a content player, the method processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the content player to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video content having a unique identifier, the audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data; [[and]]

executing, by the processing unit, a set of executable instructions associated with the unique identifier, wherein the instructions when executed, cause that use the programmatic data to display popup information when playback of the audio/video content is paused; and storing, wherein an association between the unique identifier and the set of executable instructions is stored in a memory of the content player.

58. (Original) A method as recited in claim 57, wherein the popup information includes images overlaying the video.

59. (Original) A method as recited in claim 57, wherein the popup information includes text overlaying the video.

60. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 57, wherein the popup information includes a link that, when selected by the user, allows the user to purchase an item being displayed as part of the audio/video content.

61. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 57, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

62. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data and the programmatic data comprises data identifying important scenes of the audio/video content that are important to a plot of the audio/video content; and

executing a set of instructions that, when executed, present, to the user, use the programmatic data to allow the user to scan through the important scenes of the audio/video content as identified by the programmatic data, wherein the programmatic data includes data identifying portions of the audio/video content that are important to the plot of the audio/video content, and wherein the device scans user is allowed to scan through the important scenes in response to a user request portions of the audio/video content that are important to the plot.

63. (Previously Canceled)

64. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 62, wherein the programmatic data includes further comprises data identifying portions scenes of the audio/video content that are important to a sub-plot of the audio/video content, and wherein the device scans user is allowed to scan through the portions scenes of the audio/video content that are important to the sub-plot in response to the user request.

65. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 62, wherein the ~~executing~~ comprises executing the set of instructions that use the programmatic data to allow the user to scan device scans through the important scenes by jumping to a next important scene of a plurality of important scenes in response to [[a]] the user request.

66. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 62-claim 65, wherein the user request comprises activation of a scan button on an input device by the user a remote control.

67. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 62, wherein ~~executing~~ comprises executing the set of instructions that use the programmatic data to allow the user to scan through the important scenes by playing the device plays back only a [[set]] plurality of important scenes in response to a single user request.

68. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 62, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

69. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:

obtaining audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic

data and the programmatic data comprises data identifying important scenes of the audio/video content that are important to a plot of the audio/video content; and

executing a set of instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, use the programmatic data to present, to the user, a summary of the important scenes of the audio/video content as identified by the programmatic data up to a particular point in the audio/video content.

70. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 69, wherein the particular point in the audio/video content comprises [[the]] a point at which the user indicates playback of the audio/video content is to begin.

71. (Original) A method as recited in claim 69, further comprising:
determining a position in the audio/video content where playback of the audio/video content last stopped; and
using the position as the particular point.

72. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 69, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

73. (Currently Amended) A method implemented on a device by a processing unit configured to execute computer-executable instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, direct the device to perform acts comprising:
obtaining audio/video content to be presented to a user;

obtaining programmatic data associated with the audio/video content, wherein temporal location identifiers from a stream of the audio/video content identify associated programmatic data;

executing a set of instructions that, when executed by the processing unit, present, to the user, use the programmatic data to allow the user to access additional episodic content associated with the audio/video content, wherein the programmatic data identifies the additional episodic content; and

charging a fee for access to the additional episodic content.

74. (Original) A method as recited in claim 73, wherein the additional episodic content includes additional scenes of the audio/video content.

75. (Original) A method as recited in claim 73, wherein the additional episodic content comprises an additional audio track associated with the audio/video content.

76. (Previously Canceled)

77. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 73, wherein the set of instructions, the audio/video content, and the programmatic data are all obtained from [[the]] a same DVD.

78. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a processor;

a memory coupled to the processor and configured to store a plurality of modules;

an audio/video playback module configured to receive a stream of audio/video content for playback; and

a programmatic data control module configured to:

receive programmatic data associated with the audio/video content;

monitor [[a]] the stream of the audio/video content for temporal location identifiers to [[map]] associate the programmatic data [[to]] with the audio/video content; and

enhance [[the]] a playback of the audio/video content, ~~wherein the enhancement is based at least in part on by adding~~ the programmatic data to the audio/video content, wherein the programmatic data and the audio/video content are part of a same data stream received from a same source.

79. (Currently Amended) A system as recited in claim 78, wherein the ~~enhancement~~ the adding the programmatic data comprises:

improving the quality of [[the]] video data of the audio/video content;

creating an HDTV (High Definition TV) version of the video data of the audio/video content;

converting the video data of the audio/video content to a different aspect ratio;

incorporating popup information into the video data of the audio/video content;

displaying popup information when playback of the audio/video content is paused;

allowing the user to scan through important scenes of the audio/video content, wherein the important scenes are identified in the programmatic data;

presenting, to the user, a summary of important scenes of the audio/video content up to a particular point in the audio/video content; and

allowing the user to access additional episodic content associated with the audio/video content.

80. (Currently Amended) A system as recited in claim 78, wherein the programmatic data control module, the programmatic data, and the audio/video content are received from [[the]] ~~a~~ same DVD.